Selection of officers for training in connection with the Rockefeller Foundation Scheme.

320. **MR. ITTOOP ITTEECHAN** (*Kunnatnad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the names of the two individuals originally chosen for deputation to America for training in connection with the Rockefeller Foundation Scheme, their educational qualifications and the communities to which they belong ;

(*b*) whether it is the two candidates thus selected who are now proposed to be sent to America ;

(*c*) whether it is true that one of the two individuals selected is not to be sent to America ;

(*d*) if the answer to part (*c*) is in the affirmative, the name of this individual, the reason why he is not to be sent there and the community to which he belongs ;

(*e*) whether any other candidate has now been chosen in the place of the one rejected, and, if so, his name, his educational qualifications and the community to which he belongs ;

(*f*) whether they are aware that the candidate selected is in any way related to any of the members of the Administrative Board, Medical Services ;

(*g*) if the answer to part (*f*) is in the negative, whether they will enquire into the matter and furnish the information ; and

(*h*) the reasons which induced the Government to reject a person who was at first selected and to select specially and send another who had not been selected then ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Dr. M K. Gopala Pillai and Mr. C. K. George. Qualifications of Dr. Gopala Pillai are M. R. C. S. (Edin.), L. R. C. P. & D. P. H. (London), F. R. S. (Trop.), M. & H , F. R. I. P. H. Mr. C. K. George is a Bachelor of Medicine of the Madras University.

Dr. Gopala Pillai belongs to the Nayar community and Mr. C. K. George belongs to the Anglican Christian community.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Mr. C. K. George, Anglican Christian. He was not finally selected for deputation for special training as the Rockefeller Foundation requires that as far as possible the candidates for Fellowships should be selected for their high professional and scientific qualifications and their practical experience in public health work.

(*e*) Yes ; Mr. N. Krishnan Tampi. He is a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Sanitary Science of the Madras University and belongs to the Nayar community.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) In view of answer to part (*f*), the question does not arise.

(*h*) The member is referred to the answer to part (*d*).

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